



**ASK ABOUT
ENERGY STAR**

ENERGY STAR® QUALIFIED DISHWASHERS

KEY SALES MESSAGES:

ENERGY STAR is:

- > A U.S. government-backed symbol of energy efficiency
 - > No sacrifice, same features
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ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers:

- > Use 25% less energy than standard models
 - > Use 44% less water than standard models
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What makes an ENERGY STAR qualified dishwasher so efficient?

- > More efficient motors
- > Advanced controls designed to save energy and water
- > More efficient heating of the water
- > Better washing technology

Replacing a dishwasher manufactured before 1994 with an ENERGY STAR qualified dishwasher can save you more than \$35 a year on average in utility costs.

CHOOSE THE RIGHT DISHWASHER:

- > Choose the right size for your home. Standard capacity models hold more than 8 place settings and 6 serving pieces, while compact capacity models hold that or less. If you have to operate a compact model more frequently than a standard capacity model, you may end up using more energy and water overall.
- > Choose a dishwasher with several wash cycle selections. If your dishes are only slightly soiled, use a light or energy-saving wash cycle, which uses less water and operates for a shorter period of time. And avoid using heat-dry, rinse-hold and pre-rinse features.
- > Check the yellow EnergyGuide label. The EnergyGuide label indicates how much energy the model uses, compares the energy use of similar models, and approximates annual operating costs. And look for the ENERGY STAR.

SCRAPE, DON'T RINSE:

- > Rinsing dishes can use up to 20 gallons of water, nearly four times as many gallons as an ENERGY STAR qualified dishwasher, which uses on average 5-7 gallons during a full wash cycle.
- > Try just scraping food off dishes. ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers often include soil sensors that detect how much washing is necessary to clean the dishes properly.



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